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Q1 평소 루틴 → Q2 과거 경험 → Q3 변화와 비교 → Q4 Role-play 순서로 연습합니다. 각 답변은 IL → IM → IH → AL 순서로 디테일과 연결성을 높입니다.

Industry · a major industry · produce advanced products · create many jobs · play an important role · face a sudden change · adjust the production plan · work closely with suppliers · learn an important lesson

Q1 - General / Description

Tell me about an important industry in your country. What does it produce, and why is it important?

전략

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IL

The semiconductor industry is important in Korea. It makes chips for phones, computers, and cars. Many people work in this industry. It is important for the economy.

IM

One of the most important industries in Korea is the semiconductor industry. It produces memory chips and other components used in smartphones, computers, cars, and many electronic products. The industry creates many skilled jobs and supports a large number of related companies.

IH

The semiconductor industry is one of Korea's major industries. Korean companies produce advanced memory chips and other components that are used in data centers, mobile devices, vehicles, and consumer electronics. This industry is important because it creates highly skilled jobs, supports many suppliers, and contributes significantly to exports. It also encourages investment in research and manufacturing.

AL

One industry that plays a particularly important role in Korea is the semiconductor industry. It produces advanced memory devices and other components that are essential for smartphones, data centers, vehicles, and a wide range of electronic systems. Its importance goes beyond the products themselves. Large manufacturers work with equipment makers, material suppliers, universities, and research institutes, so the industry supports a broad technical ecosystem. It also creates skilled jobs and contributes substantially to exports. Because demand changes quickly and global competition is intense, companies must keep investing in technology, stable production, and talented people.

Key Expressions

a major industry · produce advanced products · create many jobs · play an important role

Q2 - Past Experience

Tell me about a memorable change or event in an industry you know well. What happened, and how did people respond?

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IL

There was a shortage of important parts. Companies could not make enough products. They changed their plans and found other suppliers. The situation slowly improved.

IM

A few years ago, many industries faced a serious shortage of electronic components. Some factories could not get enough parts, so production schedules were delayed. Companies changed their plans, contacted additional suppliers, and focused on their most important products. The situation gradually improved.

IH

One memorable event was the global shortage of electronic components a few years ago. Demand rose unexpectedly, while factories and transportation networks were under pressure. Many companies had to delay products or reduce production. In response, they reviewed their supply chains, worked more closely with suppliers, and gave priority to essential products. The experience showed how one missing component could affect an entire industry.

AL

A memorable industry-wide event was the global shortage of electronic components that affected manufacturers several years ago. Demand shifted much faster than expected, and disruptions in production and transportation made the problem worse. At first, many companies relied on their usual forecasts and suppliers, so even a small missing part could delay an entire product. They responded by adjusting production plans, communicating more closely with suppliers, qualifying alternative sources, and protecting the most critical products first. The shortage did not disappear immediately, but companies became much more aware of supply-chain risk. The main lesson was that efficiency matters, but resilience and clear communication are equally important.

Key Expressions

face a sudden change · adjust the production plan · work closely with suppliers · learn an important lesson

Q3 - Change / Comparison

How has industry and manufacturing changed compared with the past?

전략

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IL

In the past, factories used more manual work. Now they use automated machines and computers. Workers can check data quickly. Production is faster and more accurate.

IM

In the past, manufacturing depended more on manual work and paper records. These days, factories use automated equipment, sensors, and computer systems. Workers can monitor production data quickly, find problems earlier, and improve quality.

IH

Manufacturing has changed greatly compared with the past. Factories used to depend more heavily on manual inspection, paper records, and decisions made after a problem occurred. Today, automated equipment and sensors collect production data in real time. Engineers can identify unusual patterns earlier and respond more quickly. This improves both efficiency and quality, although workers need stronger technical and data skills.

AL

The biggest change in modern industry is that manufacturing has become far more connected and data-driven. In the past, many factories relied on manual inspection, isolated equipment, and reports created after production was complete. Today, automated tools and sensors can track conditions in real time, and engineers can use the data to detect risks before they become serious defects. This improves consistency, productivity, and decision-making. However, automation also creates new challenges. Companies need people who understand both the physical process and the data, and they must protect connected systems from errors and security risks. Modern manufacturing is therefore not simply about replacing people with machines; it is about combining human judgment with better information.

Key Expressions

compared with the past · use automated equipment · analyze data in real time · improve quality and efficiency

Q4 - Role-play

You want to attend an industry exhibition. Call the organizer, ask at least three questions about the event, request help with registration, and confirm the details.

전략

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IL

Hello. I am calling about the industry exhibition. What time does it start? Where is it? Which companies will be there? Can you help me register? Please confirm the date and place.

IM

Hello, I am calling about the industry exhibition next week. What time does the event start? Which companies will participate? Are there any technical seminars? I would also like to register, but I cannot find the correct page. Could you help me complete the registration?

IH

Hello, I am calling to ask about the industry exhibition scheduled for next week. Could you tell me the opening hours? Which major companies are expected to participate? Do I need a separate reservation for the technical seminars? I tried to register online, but the confirmation page did not appear. Could you check my registration or help me submit it again? Let me confirm that the event opens at ten and my seminar reservation is included.

AL

Hello, I am calling about the industry exhibition taking place next week. I am especially interested in the manufacturing and semiconductor sessions, so I have a few questions before I finalize my visit. What are the opening hours, and which entrance should registered visitors use? Which major companies will have booths in the technical exhibition area? Do the expert seminars require separate reservations, or are they included with general admission? I attempted to register online, but I never received a confirmation message. Could you check whether my application was recorded and help me register again if necessary? Great, let me confirm the details: the exhibition opens at ten, I should use the east entrance, and the afternoon seminar requires a separate reservation. Thank you for your help.

Key Expressions

I am calling about the exhibition · Which companies will participate? · Could you help me register? · Let me confirm the details

Final Review

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